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| <b>PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)</b><br><b>FY 2005</b><br>(Fees pursuant to the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2005 (H.R. 4818).)  |   | <b>Docket Number (Optional)</b><br>0112427.00127US1  |                         |
| Application Number 09/646741-Conf. #5912  |   | Filed September 18, 2000   |                         |
| For <b>FIXING AND RELEASE SYSTEM</b>  |   |  |                         |
| Art Unit 3672   |   | Examiner K. L. Thompson  |                         |
| This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above identified application.<br>The requested extension and fee are as follows (check time period desired and enter the appropriate fee below): |   |  |                         |
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| <input type="checkbox"/>  | Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.  |  |                         |
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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>   | The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account Number <u>08-0219</u> . I have enclosed a duplicate copy of this sheet. |  |                         |
| I am the  | <input type="checkbox"/>  | applicant/inventor.  |                         |
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| Signature <u>Victor F. Souto</u>  |   | September 23, 2005   |                         |
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